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## What is claimed is:

- 1 1. A method of automated repair and control
- 2 operation, comprising steps of:
- 3 creating an RMA number after receiving an RMA
- 4 request form for returned product;
- 5 uploading RMA data of the returned product to a
- 6 database of a factory information system and
- 7 then verifying the RMA data;
- 8 checking whether claimed defects of the returned
- 9 product are accurate;
- 10 repairing the returned product according to the
- 11 claimed defects with correct checking thereof;
- inspecting the returned product to ensure that the
- 13 repair step is complete; and
- 14 packaging and shipping the repaired returned
- 15 product.
- 1 2. The method as claimed in claim 1, wherein data
- 2 files of the returned product, comprising \*.xls files,
- 3 are converted to readable files, comprising \*.cvs,
- 4 compatible with an RMA system.
- 1 3. The method as claimed in claim 1, wherein RMA
- 2 data of the returned product comprises at least a
- 3 customer number.
- 1 4. A system of automated repair and control
- 2 operation, comprising:
- a plurality of hierarchical interfaces, of which at
- 4 least one comprises a series of returned

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5 product and at least is functionally one 6 capable of receiving each input returned 7 product.

- 5. The system as claimed in claim 4, wherein the hierarchical interfaces comprise an RMA NO Generation interface, creating an RMA number according to the received returned product and adding, inquiring as to, or editing RMA data returned product for requirements.
- 1 6. The system as claimed in claim 5, wherein the 2 hierarchical interfaces comprise an Upload interface, 3 uploading RMA data to the database and adding, inquiring 4 as to, or editing the RMA data for requirements.
- 7. The system as claimed in claim 6, wherein the hierarchical interfaces comprise a Quality Control Data Sorting interface, checking claimed defects of the returned product and inquiring as to, or editing the RMA data for requirements.
- 1 8. The system as claimed in claim 7, wherein the 2 hierarchical interfaces comprise a Repair interface, 3 recovering the claimed defects of the returned product 4 and inquiring as to or editing the RMA data if necessary.
- 1 9. The system as claimed in claim 8, wherein the 2 hierarchical interfaces comprise a Quality Control 3 Inspection interface, determining whether the defects is changed and inquiring as to or editing the RMA 4 5 data for requirements.

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- 1 10. The system as claimed in claim 10, wherein the
- 2 hierarchical interfaces comprise a Package Order
- 3 interface, packaging the repaired returned product and
- 4 inquiring as to or editing the RMA data for requirements.
- 1 11. The system as claimed in claim 4, wherein the
- 2 hierarchical interfaces comprise a system setup
- 3 interface, creating suitable settings for the RMA data in
- 4 accordance with different processes.
- 1 12. The system as claimed in claim 4, wherein the
- 2 hierarchical interfaces comprise a Report interface,
- 3 outputting reports of the RMA data.
- 1 13. The system as claimed in claim 4, wherein the
- 2 hierarchical interfaces comprise at least a Main Menu
- 3 label and a Modify label, returning to the main interface
- 4 and modifying related data of the returned product,
- 5 separately.
- 1 14. The system as claimed in claim 4, wherein each
- 2 modifying section comprises a drop-down menu, displaying
- 3 all returned product.
- 1 15. The system as claimed in claim 4, wherein the
- 2 hierarchical interfaces comprise a damage condition
- 3 editing section, including all damage conditions for the
- 4 returned product.
- 1 16. The system as claimed in claim 4, wherein the
- 2 hierarchical interfaces comprise a plurality of drop-down

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- 3 menus, displaying a plurality of RMA numbers, inquiring
- 4 repair conditions for the returned product.
- 1 17. The system as claimed in claim 4, wherein the
- 2 hierarchical interfaces comprise at least one date menu,
- 3 displaying all received RMA numbers within a period.
- 1 18. A system of automated repair and control
- 2 operation, comprising:
- 3 a database storage system; and
- 4 a plurality of hierarchical interfaces related to
- 5 returned product, directly or indirectly
- 6 communicating with the database storage system,
- 7 in which at least one interface comprises at
- 8 least a modifiable data input field, modifying
- 9 the returned product stored in the database
- 10 storage system.
  - 1 19. The system as claimed in claim 18, wherein
  - 2 customer numbers of the returned product are uploaded to
  - 3 the database storage system.
  - 1 20. The system as claimed in claim 18, wherein the
  - 2 hierarchical interfaces comprise a Repair interface,
  - 3 including repair information of the returned product,
  - 4 entered in corresponding fields and then recorded in the
  - 5 database storage system.